the Commission; and as reconstituted, the continuity of the Commission's legal existence shall not be impaired.

- (b) The Commission shall elect one of its members as Chairman, and shall appoint, discharge at its pleasure and, subject to the approval of the County Commissioners, fix the compensation of a Secretary-Treasurer, and/or a chief engineer, and such engineering, legal, clerical, and other personnel and help, as from time to time the Commission may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this subtitle. The Secretary-Treasurer, if any, appointed by the Commission shall be the collector of all charges and assessments made by the Commission, and shall receive and account for all monies which shall be due and payable to the Commission from any source whatsoever. All monies deposited shall be protected by a depository bond, or by such other securities as may be approved by the Commission. The Secretary-Treasurer shall give bond to the State of Maryland to the amount of \$20,000.00, with a good and sufficient surety to be approved by the Commission, with the condition "that if the above bounden shall well and faithfully execute his office and shall account to the Commission for all monies which he shall receive for account of the Commission, or be answerable for by law, then the said obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect". The bond, when approved, shall be recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Harford County; and the person so appointed, before entering upon the duties of his office shall take an oath before the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County, in form similar to that taken by collectors of taxes, except as to the title of the office. The Commission may pay the premiums on all bonds. All checks issued by the Commission shall be signed by the Secretary-Treasurer and countersigned by one member of the Commission.
- (c) The Commission shall annually have its accounts audited by a certified public accountant to be selected by the Commission and paid by it; and it shall publish a full, true and itemized account, under oath, of its receipts and disbursements in a newspaper published in the county.

406. Sanitary District.

Harford County is declared to be a sanitary district for the purpose of the exercise of the powers vested by this subtitle in the Harford County Metropolitan Commission; provided that the Commission shall exercise no authority over the operation or construction of the sewerage, water, and drainage facilities of any incorporated municipality provided that the extension of such facilities beyond the limits of any municipality shall be subject to the approval of the Commission and provided further that the merger of the Edgewood Sanitary District into the Harford County Sanitary District shall in no manner affect outstanding bonds.

(1) THAT THE COMMISSION SHALL EXERCISE NO AUTHORITY OVER THE OPERATION OR CONSTRUCTION OF THE SEWERAGE, WATER AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES OF ANY INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITY, INCLUDING THE EXTENSION OF SUCH FACILITIES BEYOND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF ANY MUNICIPALITY, AS SUCH EXTENSIONS MAY EXIST ON JUNE 1, 1963; AND